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Identical letters dated 13 April 2018 from the Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

Following my previous letter of 10 February 2018 regarding the Iranian unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) launched from a site in Syria and intercepted over Israeli airspace that morning, I write to update you with new information resulting from our investigation.

Analysis of the flight path and an operational and intelligence-based investigation of the remnants of this UAV have led us to conclude that the Iranian aircraft was armed with explosives and was intended to attack Israeli territory. By intercepting the Iranian UAV, the Israeli Air Force prevented Iran's planned attack.

Earlier this week, Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei's representative at the Quds Force, cleric Ali Shirazi, was quoted as warning that if Iran is given an "excuse" then "Tel Aviv and Haifa will be destroyed". He went on to threaten that "Iran can destroy Israel". This foiled UAV attack on our territory is a clear indication of Iran's intent to threaten Israel not only with words, but with dangerous actions. Israel will continue to defend its citizens and territory.

It is imperative that the Security Council condemn Iran's aggressive behaviour that threatens not only Israel, but the stability of our entire region.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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